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Georgia Southern returns home to host ULM next weekend

Football

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TROY, Ala. - Troy's high-flying offense proved too much for the Georgia Southern football squad as the Trojans downed the Eagles 49-28 Saturday afternoon at Veterans Memorial Stadium in Sun Belt Play. The Trojans raced out to a 14-0 lead early on and the Eagles could never get closer than six points as they saw their four-game winning streak snapped.

Key Moment: After Georgia Southern cut the lead to six points with 14:54 left in the game, Troy marched down the field in 13 plays to put the finishing touches on the win with a 7-yard touchdown pass to stretch the lead back to 14. The Trojans would score two more times to win the fourth quarter 22-14.

Key Scoring Plays:

- Troy used tempo to take the opening drive in for a 13-yard touchdown on a Kaleb Barker pass to Bret Clark, capping a 9-play, 75-yard drive. GS 0, Troy 7.
- Barker hit Kaylon Geiger for a 54-yard pass to set up an 18-yard run by DK Billingsley for the score. GS 0, Troy 14.
- [Wesley Kennedy III](#) broke off a 41-yard run to put the Eagles on the board in the second quarter after defensive tackle [C.J. Wright](#) picked up a first down on a fake punt two plays prior. GS 7, Troy 14.
- The Trojans answered with a Tray Eafford 15-yard pass from Barker that was also set up by a successful fake punt. GS 7, Troy 21.
- [Shai Werts](#) hit [Malik Murray](#) for a 33-yard touchdown pass set up by a 30-yard pass to Murray from Werts on a second down scramble throw. GS 14, Troy 21.
- On the first play of the fourth quarter, Werts found [Darion Anderson](#) wide open on 4th and 2 for a 26-yard touchdown pass. GS 21, Troy 27
- Following the Eagles' score, Troy marched right back down the field and capped the drive with a 7-yard touchdown pass to Reggie Todd, followed by the two-point conversion. GS 21, Troy 35
- Billingsley went 70 yards to put the game away late in the fourth quarter. GS 21, Troy 42
- Murray caught his second touchdown pass of the game late, a 32-yarder to give him 95 yards on the day. GS 28, Troy 49

Key Stat: After averaging 336.8 yards rushing over the past four games, the Eagles struggled to get the ground game going against the Trojans, rushing for 152 yards while giving up nine sacks. On the other side of the ball, Troy put up 603 yards of total offense against the Eagle defense.

Up Next: The Eagles (5-4, 3-2 SBC) return home to face ULM next Saturday, Nov. 16 for a 3 p.m. game against the Warhawks. Tickets are available through [GSEagles.com](#).

Gallery: (11/9/2019) Football at Troy

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